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LAW ON THE HUNGARIAN ACADEMY OF SCIENCES

The following legal provisions concernith the Hungarian Academy of Sciences were enacted by the Parliament of the Hungarian People's Republic in December 1949.

The academy is the supreme scientific institution of Hungary. It directs on the highest level the cultivation of theoretical and applied sciences and develops the ties between theory and practice in the spirit of progressive science.

The main tasks of the academy are as follows:

- To designate the scientific aims serving national interests, in accordance with the national economic plan; to prepare plans for the realization of these aims; and to create the prerequisites for these plans.
- 2. To keep a record of persons engaged in scientific work, as well as of the materials needed for scientific work.
- To place persons and materials suitable for scientific research in the service of science.
- 4. To direct scientific research institutions from the scientific standpoint.
 - 5. To support individual scientific research.
 - To advise the authorities on scientific questions.
- 7. To give advice on filling chairs in universities and other institutes of higher learning, as well as leading positions in state scientific institutions.
- To assure an adequate supply of personnel by organizing advanced training for graduates of universities and other institutes of higher learning.

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9. To publish scientific books and periodicals, as well as to coordinate the activities of state-supported publishing enterprises with the requirements of scientific pursuits.

10. To direct the activities of scientific and technical associations in the service of the scientific and economic development of Hungary.

Matters pertaining to the academy are the responsibility of the various ministries, after consultation with the academy.

The regular and corresponding members of the academy receive pay from the academy. Detailed instructions on this subject will be issued by the Council of Ministers.

The academy is organized on the basis of by-laws approved by the Presidential Council and its order of procedure is established by the presidium of the academy on the recommendation of the general secretary.

The legality of the activities of the academy is supervised by the Council of Ministers. The academy maintains direct contact with the ministries and other state organs.

Appropriation to cover the expenditure of the academy must be included in the national budget in a separate chapter.

The employees of the academy, up to and including pay grade VI, are appointed by the president of the academy.

The Magyar Tudomanyos Tanacs (Hungarian Scientific Council) will be dissolved on the effective date of the present law. Execution of this law is the responsibility of the President of the Council of Ministers. Date of promulgation of the present law is 20 December 1949.